

MAJOR GENERAL MATTHEW T. QUINN

Adjutant General – Montana

Major General Matthew T. Quinn is the Adjutant General for the State of Montana; serving as Commander of the Montana National Guard and the Director of the Department of Military Affairs. He is responsible to the Governor of Montana to provide Army and Air National Guard military forces that are ready to deploy worldwide and accomplish military missions in support of national defense, homeland security, natural disasters, domestic emergencies, and military support to state and local governments. As The Adjutant General Major General Quinn serves on the Governor's cabinet as the principal military advisor and is responsible to the Governor for State Disaster and Emergency Management, Homeland Security, Veteran Affairs, Counter-Drug Support to Civilian Law Enforcement, the Montana National Guard Youth Challenge Program and the STARBASE Program. Prior to his appointment as the Adjutant General he served as the Assistant Adjutant General-Army, Commander, 95th Troop Command, Vice Chief of the Joint Staff, J-6 and 495th Transportation Battalion Commander. General Quinn is a veteran of both Operation DESERT STORM, 1991, where he served as Commander of A Company, 34th Signal Battalion and Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, 2003 – 2004, where he served as Commander of the 495th Transportation Battalion.



EDUCATION:

- 1983 Montana State University, Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering, Bozeman, Montana
- 2000 University of Montana, Masters of Science, Business Administration, Missoula, Montana
- 2006 Joint Forces Reserve Officer Orientation Course, Norfolk, Virginia
- 2008 Joint Task Force Commander's Course, Colorado Springs, Colorado
- 2008 US Army War College, by correspondence
- 2008 US Army War College, Masters Degree, Strategic Studies, by correspondence
- 2011 Advanced Joint Professional Military Education, Norfolk, Virginia
- 2011 Contingency Dual Status Commander Qualification, Colorado Springs, Colorado

ASSIGNMENTS:

April 1984 – April 1985, Programs Staff Action Officer, United States Forces Korea, Seoul, Korea
April 1985 – August 1988, Senior Military Electrical Engineer, United States Army Foreign Science and Technology Center, Charlottesville, Virginia
March 1989 – April 1990, Voice Engineering Officer, 93rd Signal Brigade, Ludwigsburg, Germany
April 1990 – March 1991, Brigade Voice Communications Officer, 93rd Signal Brigade, Ludwigsburg, Germany
March 1991 – November 1991, Company Commander, A CO, 34th Signal Brigade, Operation DESERT STORM, Iraq, Germany
August 1992 – April 1993, C-E Officer, 1-163rd Infantry, Billings, Montana
May 1993 – April 1995, Battalion S3-Air, 1-163rd Infantry, Billings, Montana
May 1995 – April 1997, Battalion S3, 1-190th Field Artillery, Billings, Montana
April 1997 – February 1998, Battalion Executive Officer, 1-190th Field Artillery, Billings, Montana
February 1998 – September 1999, Training Officer, Headquarters State Area Readiness Command, Helena, Montana
October 1999 – September 2001, Information Management Officer, Headquarters State Area Readiness Command, Helena, Montana
October 2001 – January 2003, Battalion Commander, 495th Transportation, Kalispell, Montana
February 2003 – September 2004, Battalion Commander, 495th Transportation, Operation IRAQI FREEDOM
October 2004 – April 2006, Director of Military Support, Joint Force Headquarters, Fort Harrison, Montana
April 2006 – December 2006, Vice Chief of the Joint Staff, 95th Troop Command, Fort Harrison, Montana
January 2007 – December 2010, Commander, 95th Troop Command, Fort Harrison, Montana
December 2010 – April 2012 Assistant Adjutant General - Army, Montana National Guard, Fort Harrison, Montana
April 2012 – Present, The Adjutant General, Montana National Guard, Fort Harrison, Montana

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Bronze Star Medal with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster
Meritorious Service Medal with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster
Army Commendation Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters
Army Achievement Medal
Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters
National Defense Ribbon with 1 Bronze Service Star
Southwest Asia Service Medal with 2 Bronze Service Stars
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Korean Service Medal (Historical)
Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Gold Hour Glass Device)
Army Service Ribbon
Overseas Service Ribbon with 2 Devices
Liberations of Kuwait (Kuwait)
Liberation of Kuwait (Saudi Arabia)
Parachutist Badge

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS:

Registered Professional Engineer, MT

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant 25 May 1983
First Lieutenant 16 June 1985
Captain 1 November 1987
Major 10 October 1995
Lieutenant Colonel 14 January 2000
Colonel 25 March 2005
Brigadier General 28 December 2010
Major General (MT) 16 April 2012

Department of Military Affairs

Functions

- Operate 10 statewide service offices: Belgrade, Billings, Butte, Great Falls, Havre, Helena, Kalispell, Lewistown, Miles City, and Missoula.
- Prepare and file benefit claims for veterans and their families.
- Represent veterans and their families in the claims and appeals process of the Federal Department of Veterans Affairs.
- Provide regularly scheduled veterans outreach services throughout the state.
- Advise veterans and their families on veterans benefits, and assist in obtaining legal and medical documentation to support claims.
- Obtain military service records and awards.
- Coordinate assistance with other veterans service organizations and government agencies.
- Educate, advise and assist the general public and government agencies on veterans affairs and issues.
- Administer, operate and maintain State Veterans Cemeteries in accordance with the National Cemetery Administration's National Shrine Standards.
- Receive donations for State Veterans Cemeteries.
- Represent the State of Montana as a member of the National Association of State Directors of Veterans Affairs.